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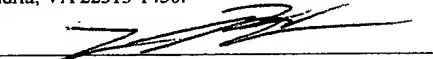
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- (1) A 27 page patent application including a title page, 13 page description, 30 claims on 4 pages, a one page abstract, and Figures 1-8 on 8 sheets;
- (2) An originally executed Declaration (2 pages);
- (3) Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
- (4) Form PTO 1149 (2 pages) w/references A1-A20;

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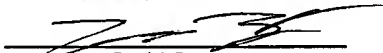
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